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Comments for the Cedar Valley Water Usage Plan:

Has there been an effort to review the water rights to ensure that all rights that are listed are actually being used? Are they actually viable? This would a rather large task. Good project for summer staff.

If senior water rights are imposed to meet safe yield, what impact will there be on junior water rights for domestic (household) use. We are small water company serving a subdivision in the Iron County. We have our own well. Our water rights, domestic and irrigation, are dated in 1935 and 1946. I could understand not being able to irrigate but I would like water to drink, cook, and flush toilets. Not to mention the property value impact.

If the senior rights are imposed, will junior rights be subject to the 7-year use-it or lose-it policy? They should automatically be given the non-use deferral.

What watering restrictions will be enacted on urban populations? Will hours of day, days of week, or odd, even house number watering practices be imposed? Will city dwellers watering the driveway and sidewalk be penalized? Will these policies be enforced? There should be an allowance for senior and physically challenged populace to water during the day as night watering is not safe for them to venture out. This would require be an administrative process. Almost every day in the lawn watering season water is running down the gutters. This needs to curtailed and if possible capture the runoff for diversion to processing.

Would there be a tax advantages or other incentives for property owners to change from green lawn to low water usage/arid landscape?

Would there be a tax advantages or other incentives for property owners to change from high water usage crops to more draught resistant crops. Such as from alfalfa to draught resistant grass.

Would the golf course reduce the amount of water used by reducing the amount of grass they maintain. Many newer golf courses have landing areas for tee shots and other shots thereby reducing the amount fairway that needs to be watered.

Would swimming pools, especially outdoor pools be restricted?

Respectfully,

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Comments to the Upcoming Water Use Plan

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Please accept comments to the forthcoming water use plan from West Valley Culinary and Irrigation Company. We are a small subdivision west of Cedar City. Should you have questions concerning these comments please contact:

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